

PUGET SOUND PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLECTORS SOCIETY

WHAT: REGULAR MEETING OF PSPCS

WHERE: DES MOINES MASONIC TEMPLE, 2208 S. 223RD ST (TAKE MIDWAY EXIT OFF I-5, GO TO FIRST STOP LIGHT WEST OF PACIFIC AVE SOUTH, TURN RIGHT UNTIL 223RD, THEN TURN WEST (LEFT). THE TEMPLE IS JUST WEST OF THE FIRE STATION)

WHEN: THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH (EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST). NEXT MEETING IS 3/20/14, 7 - 9 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM)

WHY: TO SHARE AND ENJOY THE COMPANY OF OTHER WHO ARE INTERESTED IN COLLECTING EVERYTHING PHOTOGRAPHIC

MEETING AGENDA: A SHORT BUSINESS MEETING, SHOW AND TELL; EARN THAT CAMERA; PROGRAM: WHAT DID YOU FIND AT THE SHOW? AUCTION (ONE ITEM LOT PER MEMBER) AND THE DOOR PRIZE.

Show Experience Weekend - April 11 & 12 - 2014

Special points of interest:

- *Show Experience Weekend*
- *Show's Special Guest*



PSPCS 2013 Show Display

PSPCS is hosting the Northwest Group of the Magic Lantern Society this year as our guest speaker for the "Show Experience Weekend".



Magic Lantern shows were incredibly popular 100 years ago. The Magic-Lantern Group NW is a group of individuals from The Magic Lantern

Society of the United States and Canada. The society was officially founded January 1, 1979. It began as a dream by a group of lantern enthusiasts in the State of Washington. The group provides programs, displays and activities about the magic lantern.

The Friday night presentation (4/11 at 7 pm at Kent Commons) will be a Stereopticon show with illustrated views. Come see and hear about the magic lantern society and some of the history of lantern slide use here in the Northwest.

Learn about:

- Moving images before the invention of the movies
- The "Flanders 20"
- The story of a "Pathfinding Expedition"
- Photographers and photographic mishaps
- Individuals that helped the Good Road Movement
- The secret that was part of the "Pathfinding Expedition"

The presentation is FREE and refreshments will be served.



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Special Guest at our PSPCS Show -

After Bob Peters arranged for a tour of the Ries Tripod factory in Bremerton last fall for club members, he became interested in the history of the Ries Tripod. Bob has been researching the history of the tripod and learned that there were five Ries brothers involved with the tripod and cinematography in early Hollywood. Peters has "met" surviving Ries family members who have been supportive, and found some pretty interesting material that was unknown even to Ries descendants. Bob has been in

contact with the founder's grandson (Brian McGilvray) who has provided some rare photos and information.

Brian McGilvray has told Bob that he and his brother plan to be at the club's April show and meet the current owners of Ries Productions, Spencer and Debbie Hughes, and that they hope to visit the tripod factory originally started by his grandfather. Bob plans to present copies of the Ries Brothers history to the Hughes and to the McGilvrays at the

show. Ultimately plans call for the history to be added to the Ries Tripod website.



PSPCS MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 20, 2014

The Meeting was called to order by Mike Immel at 7:10pm. There were 20 members or guests in attendance.

Announcements: The Siggie show is April 27th in Vancouver. April 30th is Pinhole Photography Day.

Show Committee Report: All is going well. 107 tables sold 86 paid for. There is lots of advertising going out in print and electronic media.

Old Business: Shirley Sparrow is willing to stay on as treasurer for now.

New Business: There was discussion on being able to pay dues via PayPal. It was suggested we table this proposal until details can be worked out.

Shirley Sparrow made a motion that anyone who has been a member of the PSPCS for 35 contiguous years will be given lifetime membership. Mike Langley seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved. Darrel Womak, John Sparrow and Gary Sivertsen are now lifetime members.

The John Johnston collection that the club has purchased was discussed.

Camera Report: Merle Carey will talk about a camera at the April meeting.

Show and Tell: Mike Langley, Harold Beyea, Stuart Curry, Victor Rudko, John Christensen and Mike Immel brought items to share. Walt Hughson brought 7 items.

Program: Bob Peters gave a talk on the extensive research he is doing on Ries Tripods (and the founders). It was very informative.

Auction: Five items were available 3 sold for \$37.00, 2 did not sell.

Door Prize: No Door prize this month

J. J. Johnston's Collection Private Sale—May 3rd

J. J. Johnston was a past member of the PSPCS. Bob Peters saw an ad in Craig's List for a camera collection that was available in the Olympia area. Arrangements were made to look at the collection and PSPCS made an offer that was accepted. Mr. Johnston has attended many of our shows in the past. He has been thinning his collection via eBay the past few years. What we bought is the last of his collection.

PSPCS will have a "Members Only" sale on Saturday May 3rd—9 am to 1 pm. The sale is being conducted at Bob Kelly's home. PSPCS wishes to thank Bob and Pam again for their hospitality and the use of their place for this event. This is NOT open to the public.

Please watch your email for more information on this sale later in the month.

A video of the items available from the sale available at our next meeting. No early-ins.



Pictures of the Last Year's PSPCS Show

Courtesy of Mike Immel.



Contact Information

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Wiki - <http://fastglass.wikispaces.com/>

Dues are \$20.00 per year (Jan-Dec) and should be sent to Treasurer Shirley Sparrow, 300 Pease Road Cle Elum, WA. 98922. (509) 674-1916, Email: sesparrow9@msn.com